

**REMARKS-General**

1. Upon review of the original specification and in light of the observation of the Examiner noted in the above Office Action, the applicant has amended the original specification which is deemed to more clearly and distinctly describe the subject matter of the instant invention, and which provides full antecedent basis to the amended claims. No new matter has been included.
2. The original allowable claim 2 is rewritten into an independent claim which incorporates all structural limitations of the original claim 1 and includes further limitations previously brought forth in the original allowable claim 2. No new matter has been included. All claims as amended are submitted to be of sufficient clarity and detail to enable a person of average skill in the art to make and use the instant invention, so as to be pursuant to 35 USC 112.

**Response to Rejection of Claims 13, 14, 16 under 35USC112**

3. The applicant submits that the claims 13-16 have been amended to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the instant invention, as pursuant to 35USC112.

**Response to Rejection of Claims 1, 9 and 17 under 35USC102**

4. The rejected claims 11, 9 and 17 are deleted in this application.

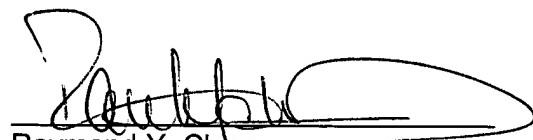
**The Cited but Non-Applied References**

5. The cited but not relied upon references have been studied and are greatly appreciated, but are deemed to be less relevant than the relied upon references.

6. In view of the above, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are requested. Allowance of claims 2-8, 10-16, and 18-23 at an early date is solicited.

7. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is needed in order to place the application in condition for allowance, he is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

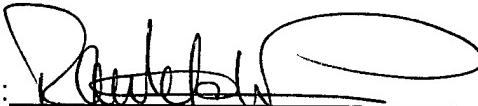


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